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Newsletter of the Dickson Squash Club

May 2007

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Following the doubles and supper, **Kingsley Bruce and His Band** will entertain us into the night. If you can't make the Tournament, you're welcome to come for drinks and enjoy the band.

Tournament entry forms are available from Dick at Bodyline Sports. Get in quick as there will be a limited number of teams.

Club Rooms

Even though we haven't had an official opening, the last 6 months has seen our Bar and Club Rooms massively improve the social aspect of squash.

We'd like to thank everyone who has participated in the bar roster. Your support is greatly appreciated. Your continued support is required for us to be able to maintain the facility. If you haven't had a turn on the roster, please see Dick at Bodyline Sports to arrange a night to volunteer.

Are you wondering why our Honour Boards are not on display? The reason is that **Martin Grace** and **Mike Hogan** will be replacing them soon with something to take us into this new millennium.

Having a party? Don't want to clean up?

How about holding it in our Club Rooms? We'd charge a nominal fee to cover cleaning and bartending. You just need to decorate it (if you fancy that) and then turn up with your friends, food and music. We'll supply your drinks from the bar at our normal prices. Contact Dick at Bodyline Sports to make a booking.

Juniors

Many of you will know that, until recently, **Robyn Douglas** managed the Dickson Juniors for many years. During her time as manager, she exceeded all expectations that the club, parents and players had placed on her. Her organisational skills were legendary – she did everything from putting teams together, finding reserves, organising travel to venues, liaising with Squash ACT, applying first aid, and providing an occasional shoulder to cry on. She will be sorely missed, and we'd like to take this opportunity to thank her for all the time and effort that she enthusiastically gave. Robyn will not be too far away, and no doubt, from time to time, we'll still see her around the courts.

With Robyn moving on, we are very fortunate that **Kristine and Steve Lindner** have offered to take over the role that Robyn vacated. We extend them a warm welcome, and thank them for the kind offer, and look forward to a long relationship with our Club.

On the court, many of our Juniors are doing particularly well. Special mentions go to: **Logan Fleming, Joseph Howard, Phillip Page, Fletcher Hall, Mitchell Hall, Samuel Lock, Michael Howard, Leanna Davey, Josh Larkin** and **Scott Reid**, who have all seen their matrix scores leap by at least 5 points this current competition. Well done.

ACT Squash Update

Congratulations to **Marcus Smith**, who has again been elected as the President of ACT Squash. Marcus has undertaken leadership roles with both ACT and Dickson squash for many years, and we greatly appreciate his efforts and expertise.

2007 Club Championships

Our 2007 Club Championships will be played over two weekends in late July and early August, with doubles on the first weekend followed by the singles. The Presentation Dinner and AGM will be held on the second weekend. Look out for entry forms.

Court Maintenance

Have you noticed that our courts have had a facelift? The Tradies Club undertook the painting, and a hardy group of club members (**Peter Hurley, Laurie Oates, Doug Lean, Tiffany Smith, Will Smith and Martin Grace**) renewed the red floor lines which were badly worn.

Additional work is required to finish the job, and we'll be on the look out for more members to assist next time.

A trial will be carried out on court 8 inlaying a different material into the floor in lieu of taped lines. If this is successful, we will do all the courts.

Club Shirts

Dick at Bodyline Sports has a new supply of white Dickson Squash Club polo shirts in the latest sports fabric. Do yourself a favour, and buy one next time you're in his shop. At \$40, they're a bargain.

Matrix Highlights

The Matrix continues to be an amazingly powerful tool to help us track results. Here's a quick snapshot of the Dickson players whose Matrix score has increased by 10 points or more since the current Pennant commenced in February:

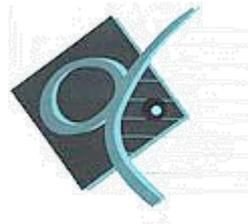
Name	Division	Matrix Now	Change
Mike Lavis	2	265.7	20.7
Neal Tarditi	13	114.2	18.2
Samuel Lock	17	61.8	15.8
David Milne	15	101.5	15.5
Joseph Howard	17	71.2	14.6
Charles Flannery	3	219.4	14.5
Denis Mettam	7	159.6	14.0
Tristan Wells	Premier	300.2	13.9
Fergus Davis	8	146.1	13.2
Alex Polson	8	145.0	12.6
Jay Thompson	18	50.1	12.6
Josh Larkin	Premier	302.4	11.8
Craig Farrell	2	252.8	11.8
Rod Gray	10	128.4	11.5
Michael Howard	17	68.7	11.3
Darryl Seto	12	116.9	10.9
Sheldon de Keyzer	17	64.4	10.4

Don't forget that you can check your own results at www.squashmatrix.com.

Reserves: Who pays?

All players, particularly **captains**, should understand the rules around using emergency reserves. These are players who are not registered as a player or as a reserve in the current competition.

- ⌚ If they only play 1, 2 or 3 times: there is no registration fee payable by anyone (normal nightly court fees do of course apply).
- ⌚ If they only play 4, 5 or 6 times, the Dickson Squash Club will pay the necessary registration fee to Squash ACT.
- ⌚ If they play **7 or more times**, we expect that player to pay the registration fee. Captains should set this expectation up-front so there aren't any surprises for anyone.



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Tournament format:

- Teams can comprise single or mixed gender – grading will be on ability
- All teams are guaranteed 3 matches
- Matches will be timed with continuous point-a-rally scoring